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# 2 AMERICANS VOTE CERTAIN DIE IN BATTLE IN SENATE ON WITH RAIDERS NEW D. C. RULE

Works Plan in Order.

Both Senators Jones and

Sheppard told the Senate this

afternoon that a prohibition

amendment to the District of

Columbia bill would be urged

and the Senate forced to vote

upon it unless the ruling of the

Vice President that the Works

amendment to abolish the Dis-

trict government was in order,

ruling of Vice President Marshall

amendment to the District appro-

This was made plain in the Sen-

Jones of Washington, that he con-

Should there be no new develop-

ments of an unexpected sort this decision makes a vote on the pro-

posal sure. Its defeat is expected.

Under the Vice President's rul-

ing, the District prohibition amend-

ment would be in order, but Sens-

tor Sheppard this afternoon still

though some of its supporters were

DRYS FORESEE DEFEAT.

Advocates of the prohibition amend-

ment are convinced it will be held out

of order if they do introduce it, de-

spite the ruling of the Vice President

plans to improve the water front, the

G. O. P. Clans in

184 Bodies Found

In Forest Fire Area

MONTREAL, Quebec, July 31.-Re-

ports at noon from North Bay, Ontario, say 184 bodies have been recovered from the forest fire district.
The fire was quenched by heavy rains

last night, and railway communication is expected to be renewed early this afternoon.

on the Works amendment.

Interests.

was overruled.

government.

Five Mexicans Also Killed in Senator Lee Decides Not to Ap-Running Fight on Border Near Fort Hancock.

CAVALRY OPENS ATTACK DRYS NOT TO PRESS FIGHT

Eighth Regiment Troopers Fire House Committee Reports Out on Invaders When They Cross Into Texas.

EL PASO, July 31 .- Five Mexicans and two Americans were killed in a fight this morning near Fort Hancock, fifty miles east of El Paso.

The Americans killed were Private John J. Twomey, of Troop F. Eighth Cavalry, and Customs Inspector Robert Wood.

Sergt. Lewis Thompson, also of Troop F, Eighth Cavalry, was wounded. The bodies of five Mexicans were found along the line of the bandits' retreat.

The Mexicans crossed into Texas and were attacked by the Ameri-

#### FLED TOWARD MEXICO.

The bandits were surprised by the cavlary patrol, and immediately fied toward the Mexican line. About 700 shots were exchanged. It is supposed that the bandits were Villistas on their way to

raid some American ranch.

Three other troops of the Eighth Cavalry were rushed from El Paso to Fort Hancock by special train.

Their instructions were to follow the bandits' trail into Mexico, if necessary or expedient.

### CARRANZA MAY REJECT U.S. PLAN

State Department Reports Say He Objects to Additions.

State Department that Carranza will rejest the additions made in Washington in favor of it. to his suggestions in the note of July 21 for settlement of border troubles by a

Strong apprehension was felt today that a serious slip may ensue in the negotiations between the two govern-

negotiations between the two governments. The Mexican peace discussions are at a standatili pending receipt of Carranza's official reply.

Carranza submitted three propositions for consideration by a joint commission. All related to military movements across the border. If reports now coming from Mexico City are reliable, Carranza will continue to insist the commission parleys be confined to discussion of three subjects he suggested—withdrawal of American troops, a protocol governing rehe suggested—withdrawal of American troops, a protocol governing reciprocal crossing of the border by military forces of both nations, and responsibility for past border raids. Officials admitted today that Carranza played shrewd diplomacy in framing his suggestion for a border conference. All three proposals, it was pointed out, get back to the same thing—withdrawal of troops.

#### D. C. Official Is Hero In Drowning Rescue

Hobert E. Berrian, of the office of the Collector of Taxes, is the hero of a near-drowning accident.

While in bathing at Atlantic City, where he is spending a three weeks' vacation, Mr. Berrian went to the rescue of a man who had become exhausted and aided him to shore, a distance of several hundred yards, according to informations. cording to information received here.

The name of the rescued man could not be ascertained.

## Things You Want To Know About

Where to Find Them in The Times

How Washington outdoes all the summer resort beaches in lack of bathing dress restrictions-Page 4.

Where are the women's votes going this year, to Wilson or Hughes? -- Page 8.

How you can develop your voice told by Dr. Hirshberg -Page 8.

Two years of the war reviewed by representatives in each country-Page 6.

## TWO VIEWS OF SCENE OF GREAT BLAST



was not disposed to urge it, al- Ruins of Thirteen Warehouses of the National Storage Company, Leveled by Yesterday's Explosion.

While action on the District bill dragged in the Senate during a discussion by Senator Newlands of proposed District Militia Will March to District Committee of the House favor-White Lot for Parade at 5 District Committee of the House favorably reported two measures.

The first was the bill authorizing the use of public school buildings as public forums.

The other was for increased salaries for officials of the Police Department. The bill, however, makes no provision for increased pay for privates.

An amendment to the District bill proposed by Senator Sterling today would assers mencys and credits in the Dis-

All arrangements were completed at the mobilization camp today for the parade and review of the Third Regicontinued on Second Page.)

G. O. P. Clans in

N. Y. for Big Time

New York, July 31.—Hotel lobbles today looked as though a Republican convention were on in New York. Hundreds of G. O. P. leaders were arriving from all over the country, anxious to see Charles Evans Hughes officially advised that he value for the parallel of the par ment, District Militia, on the White

dreds of G. O. P. leaders were arriving from all over the country, anxious to see Charles Evans Hughes officially advised that he was the Republican standard bearer, and to hear him shatter another one of his famous silences.

Up to date, not a solitary Republican leader, except National Chairman Willcix, knows what the nominee will say in his speech of acceptance. Usually the standard bearer gives out advance copies of the "keynote" in plenty of time soi t can be circulated by press associations.

Colonel Roosevelt will be there.
Carnegie Hall, where the notification ceremonies will be held tonight, seats nearly 4,000 people, and it was expected that every seat will be occupied at 5 o'clock, when the meeting will be called to order. The demonstration is expected to last about half an hour. The soldiers will return to the mobilization camp for their evening mail after marching up Seventeenth street, east on Pennsylvania avenue to Fourteenth and thence back to nue to Fourteenth and thence back to camp by way of the Highway bridge.

Rivalry Among Men. It is expected by the officers of the Third Regiment that the soldierly appearance of the militiamen and the snappiness of their drill will prove a revelation to the people of Washington as to how much military training can accomplish in five weeks.

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There is keen rivalry among the companies over making a good impression and all commands will be on their mettle.

Colonel Young said today he believed the appearance of the regiment on the White Lot would not only aliay all the fears of members of the families of the suardamen over the treatment the solutions.

fears of members of the families of the guardsmen over the treatment the solders are receiving in the camp, but will also stir up considerable enthusiasm for recruiting.

Six escort wagons from the supply company, drawn by army mules, will accompany the Third Regiment to the White Lot. Two of these wagons will carry the tents and blanket rolls as well as a day's rations for Companies L and M of the Third Regiment.

These two companies will not go back to camp after the parade, but will go to the rifle range at Congress Heights for practice.

Are Crack Commands.

Resumption of through train service by
Southern Railway main line as follows:
No. 35, leaving Washington 10:05 a. m.
No. 25, leaving Washington 10:05 a. m.
No. 25, leaving Washington 10:45 p. m.
No. 37, leaving Washington 10:45 p. m.
Will be effective July 31st. run via Lynchburg. Danville, Greensboro, Charlotte, Spartanburg. Greenville, to Atlanta, Macon, Birmingham, Montgomery, New Orleans, etc.
No. 31, leaving Washington 7:06 p. m., will be restored between Washington and Charlotte, N. C.
Consult agents for full particulars.
C. W. WESTEURY, Genl. Agt.
—Advt. Companies L and M are the brag mmands in the Third Regiment. Each of these companies has almost eighty men in its ranks. This is in strong contrast with a majority of the other companies of the regiment, which have less than immimum strength of sixty-five men, and whose numerical weak-

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### **Germany Now Demands Special Passports**

Persons desiring to enter or leave Germany must obtain special permission from the German authorities, Ambassador Gerard cabled the State Department today.

Passports will be granted only in cases where a thorough examination has shown an inevitable necessity.

The order becomes effective tomorrow.

BALTIMORE, July 31 .- At 1:30 the tug Thomas F. Timmins started its engines and began clearing away the barges obstructing the passage of the German super-submarine Deutschland now snuggling at the foot on Andre street.

There is every indication of immediate departure.

Bremen will reach the threemile limit tonight, and in the early morning the Deutschland will go down the bay. This was let slip by a member of the big u-boat's crew in saying "auf wiedersehen" to a friend on Locust Point today.

## British Aviator Battles Zeppelin

LONDON, July 31.—Combat between a British aeroplane and a Zeppelin thirty miles off the east coast of Great Brit ain, was reported in an Admirality

statement today.

The aeroplane rilot, it was related, fired more than two trays of ammunition at the German dirigible before he was temporarily incapacitated by a portion of his gun flying off and stunning

him.
When the pilot recovered consciouness the Zeppelin disappeared.

## SLOCUM FREED OF BLAME BY

Chief of Staff Decides No Stigma Should Be Attached to Him for Raid.

No stigma should be attached to Col. Herbert J. Slocum, Thirteenth Cavalry, because of the raid on Columbus, which precipitated the present Mexican trou- temporarily obtained around Monact ble, Maj. Gen. Hugh L. Scott, chief of farm, and had repulsed every German staff, reported today.

Secretary of War Baker approved rific losses.

Scott's report, which is final. It follows months of investigation by high the comminique read. Attacks at ver

Scorts report, which is final. It follows months of investigation by high army officers appointed to investigate the attack. Colonel Siccum was in community to the attack. Colonel Siccum was in community to the surprise attack. The report was responsible for the success of the surprise attack, the report said.

Siccum, according to the report, made every effort to find where Villa was and what his intentions were.

"The information received from the usual Mexican sources was unfortunately credited," the report commented, "when as a matter of course under the circumstances it was utterly unreliable."

Toppartment and brigade headquarters information as to Villa, it was responsibly an enemy of the United States, it was soid.

Slocum and his men were commended for their defense of Columbus and their repulse of the bandits in Pershing's section of the report,.

Funstion's theory, according to the War Department report, was that Villa waited for a patrol to pass, and slipped through. He said the cavalry could not cross the border and had to be departed to the cavalry could not cross the border and had awar on, Villa could not have got his men so close to the line.

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President Wilson today signed a resolution continuing for the month of August the appropriations required out of last year's budget to run the government of the District.

Owing to the fact that the new District appropriation bill has not yet passed. Do the same procedure had to be followed he for July.

Railroad and Storage Company **Employes Charged With** Manslaughter by Negligence.

WILL BE TRIED ON FRIDAY

Only Four Known Dead So Far and Total List May Not Pass Twenty-five.

JERSEY CITY, July 31.-Albert M. Dickman, Lehigh Valley agent, and Alexander Davidson, superintendent of the National Storage Company, were arraigned before Judges Mark A. Sullivan and George Tennant today, charged with manslaughter in connection with the Black Tom explosion yes-

Their cases were postponed until Friday morning at 10 o'clock, at the request of Prosecutor Robert Hudspeth.

The defendants were released under \$5,000 bail.

Theodore B. Johnson, president of the Johnson Lighterage Company, for whose arrest a warrant has been issued, did not appear.

Johnson and Davidson are charged with negligence in permitting a tug to tie a barge loaded with dangerous explosives to the pier.

Dickman is charged with permitting box cars loaded with high explosives to be placed on a railroad siding in a position where danger

British and Russian Command-

ers Report Further Gains

Around Somme and Brody.

BERLIN, July 31.-Anglo-

French attacks through the

morning, along the front from

Longueval to the Somme, were

everywhere repulsed with san-

guinary losses, according to the

In the eastern fighting zone

also, the war office declared Rus-

sian attacks had been repulsed.

LONDON, July 31.-British and Rus

attack there and at Hemwood with ter-

"Our artillery enfiladed the enemy."

offices announced today.

war office statement today.

from fire or explosion was great. The three men are specifically charged with causing the deaths of Capt. Cornelius Leyden, of the Le high Valley railway police, one of the victims of the explosion.

AGENTS ON SCENE. Agents from the Justice Department and the Interstate Commerce Commis-sion spent nearly all day on the scene. On their report will depend whether the commission will go more fully inte the case. This phase, however, will not deter State and Jersey City officials in

their investigations and prosecutions.

Most amazing of all the startling features of this greatest explosion on record, is the growing belief this afternoon sian troops kept up their smashing ord, is the growing belief this afternoon blows against the German lines, and that the death list will not exceed 25 or 30 at the outside. today drove deeper into the Kaiser's po-

As the flames died out this afternoon sitions, the London and Petrograd war and searchers prepared to go through the ruins of the Lehigh docks, only four Paris also reported the French had persons were known to have died. brilliantly retrieved a German footing. They were Conrad Leyden, the Lehigh Valley's chief of police; Arthur Tossen baby, shocked to death, and two unindentified men.

Twenty-three men are reported miss-

These are the known facts as to loss of life more than thirty-six hours after the first explosion.

A serious aftermath of the disaster developed today when many boxes of dynamite and other high explosives were discovered floating nearly submerged. In the harbor. Marine officials issued warnings to shipowners, and established a harbor patrol of small boats.

### U. S. DECIDES TO TAKE NO ACTION IN PROBE

Bielaski Denies Taking Part in Jersey Investigation.

State authorities alone are endeavoring to fathom the cause of the gigantic explosion which yesterday morning struck terror into the hearts of residents of New York and surrounding communities and destroyed millions of dollars' worth of property bordering on the harbor of the metropolis.

The Federal Government is merely "sitting on the side lines," as an official expressed it, and will take no part in the procedings unless the State discloses that outside agencies were responsible for the explosion.

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A. Bruce Bielaski, chief of the Bureau of Investigations of the Department of Investigations of the Department of Justice, this morning denied emphatically that his office was carrying on the investigation, and sale that he had had only a verbal report from the New York branch of his service. This report, he added, represented the explosion as accidental. It was explained today that the Interstate Commerce Commission can navon official interest in the explosion except to determine whether the explosives were properly packed.

Haig Reports Further

Advances by British

LONDON, July 31.—Further British

Advance at points north of Brazentine
le Petit was announced by Gen. Sir Douglas Hais today.

"As the result of local encounters," he said, "our posts have advanced at points north of Brazentine le Petit."

cept to determine whether the explosives were properly packed.

If the explosion was due to improper packing, in violation of the regulations of the commission regarding the labeling and packing of all dangerous explosives, then the commission would have the authority and duty of turning the evidence collected over to the Department of Justice.

Inasmuch as the explosives in question were blown sky-high, and are now scatpoints north of Brazentine le Petit."